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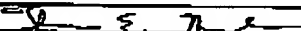
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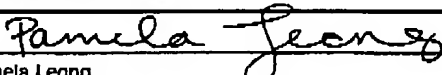
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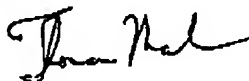
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- I. Claims 1-15, drawn to a method of analyzing a nucleic acid population.
- II. Claims 16-30, drawn to a method of analyzing a nucleic acid.

Applicants elect the invention of Group I (claims 1-15) without traverse. The Examiner further requests an election of species. Applicants elect to prosecute the species of claim 9. Applicants reserve the right to re-present non-elected claims in a divisional, or other related application.

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